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THE WEATHER.

Partly cloudy and warmer Friday; Saturday partly cloudy; warmer fresh south winds.

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# JEROME WAS READY BUT DELMAS WAS NOT

Question of Having a Lunacy Commission Appointed for Harry Thaw Not Settled.

## TO ANNOUNCE DECISION ON MONDAY

There Will Be a Brief Session This Morning When More Affidavits Will Be Submitted-Justice Fitz gerald Would Not Allow Hartridge

(By Associated Press.)
NEW YORK March 21.—District
Attorney Jerome today presented to
Justice Fitzgerald eight affidavits in Attorney Jerome today presented to Justice Fitzgerald eight affidavits in support of the suggesion he made yesterday in the case of Harry K. Thaw, that the defendant is now in such a state of junacy or instinity as to be incapable of understanding the 4roceedings against him or marking his defense. The court was in session for less than an hour, belphin Delmas for the defense, stating that their answer to the district attorney's proposition was not ready.

Justice Fitzgerald allowed both sides until Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock to file such affidavits as they desire, with the clerk of the court. There will be no further hearing in the matter of the appointment of a lunacy commission unless Justice Fitzgerald so decress after considering such affidavits and exhibits as are to be offered. Neither the jury nor Thaw was in court today.

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The jury having been excused till tomorrow morning at 9:30 o'clock when there will be a brief session at that time and a formal' and ournment until Monday morning announced. By Monday Justice Fitzgeridi is expected to be ready to announce his decision.

District Attorney Jerome pleaded today for permission to examine Dr. Alan McLean Hamilton orally but in the absence of waiver of professional privilego on the part of the defense, Justice Fitzgerald added singificantly, that he would take judicial notice of everything which had been adduced in evidence during the nine weeks of the trial. Dr. Hamilton, it will be remembered, on yestevday, testified that in his opinion Thaw is not at present, capable of directing his defense. This question was put to Doctor Hamilton by Attorney Gleason of the defense, and Mr. Jerome now contends that the defense thus waived the matter of professional privilege.

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The refusal of Justice Pitzgerald
to allow Doctor Hamilton to be
inerrogated in the proceedings to
enlighten the conscience of the
court as to its duty in appoining
a commission of lunacy or ordering a resumption of the trial, was
interpreted in various ways by
those in court today. The attaches
of the district attorney's office were
inclined to the belief that Doctor
Hamilton having already stated his
opinion to Justice Fitzgerald, the
latter deemed it unnecessary to
precipitate an argument as to the
waiying of professional privilege.

The defense seemed inclined to
the view that Justice Fitzgerald
had held Doctor Hamilton's evidence could not be taken into consideration and that consequently the
district, attorney's position was materially weakened.

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into the case by Thaw's lawyers and it was while he was in their employ that he made his examination of the defendant. Under the law he cannot testify without an express waiver from the man who was his patient.

Mr. Jerome's affidavits submitted today embraced the opinion of his seven experts who have heretofore testified and a statement by Irvin S. Cobb, a newspaper reporter, to whom Thaw gave the text of the statement which he issued at the conclusion of Mr. Jerome's long and severe cross examination of his wife.

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Mr. Jerome in presenting his naidavits, called particular attention to the one signed by Doctor Carlos F. McDonald, who after reciting what he has witnessed in court, his observations of Thaw immediately after the tragedy and what he has learned as to epilepsy and insanity in various brances of the Thaw family, declares that he is firmly convinced that Thaw is suffering from paranola and that while he knew enough to realize the nature and quality of his act when he shot; and killed Stanford White, he is now and for some time past has been incapable of understanding the proceedings against him.

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Thaw.

All the facts were narrated at the time, of the insistence of Thaw that the 'reporter should sign and seal an envelope containing the original statement and compare the original statement and continuous or distribution among the other newspaper men at the trial.

Disrict Attorney Jerome occupied most of the time the court was in session today in a personal explanation of the time the court to Thaw's present state of mind.

He said he had long been convinced that the defendant was of unsound mind, but he had no way of legally bringing the matter to the attention of the court until Doctor Hamilton was put on the stand by the defense.

Mr. Jerome said he could not have called Doctor Hamilton on account of the professional privilege which the defense nave interposed as a bar to any testimony the expert might have to offer.

Mr. Delmas declined again to waive any privilege with regard to Doctor Hamilton on the ground that if the district attorney's contention as to the present insanity of the defendant is sound his lawyers have no right a waive anything for a lunatic.

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Hartridge Couldn't Butt in, It had been runnored all day that Mr. Belmas would not be in court this afternoon because of the attitude assumed by some of his associate counsel yesterday. All the attorneys were passent anowever, when Justice Fitzgerald took his place on the bench.

Mr. Delmas alone was heard by Justice Fitzgerald. Twice Mr. Hartifge attempted to enter the argument but was rapped down by the pidge.

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### LABOR MEN WANT POWER OF COURTS RESTRICTED

American Federationists Want Unly Supreme Court to Pass on Congressional Acts.

(By Associated Press.)

WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21—
A conference with the Railroad
Brotherhood representatives, at
which a declaration was made for
congressional organization, limiting
to the Supreme Court of the United
States power to declare acts of
Congress unconstitutional, and solution of a number of pertinent
cases submitted by subordinate bodies marked today's session of the
executive council of the American
Federation of Labor. A resolution
was adopted declaring it to be the
sense of those present and those
whom they represented that a bill
should b introduced in the next
Congress; and pressed to a conclusion, providing that the Federal
courts inferior to the Supreme
Court of the United States shound
be deprived of the power to declare
unconstitutional any act passed 27
Congress.

### PLANS OF BATTLESHIP PROBABLY NOT STOLEN

Navy Department Not Worried Over Alleged Disappearance of Draw.

(By Associated Press.)

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WASHINGTON, D. C., March 21

—No report of the theft of the plans of the battleship Nebraska, from the desk of the superintendent of construction at the Morgan Brothers shippard at Seattle, Washington, has been reported to the Navy Department.

The Department does not take the reported theft seriously as dispatches from Seattle indicate that it is only the booklet of plans that is missing and this booklet, ft is said, does not contain various plans of mechanism which it is especially desired to keep secret. The bureau of construction said that everything that is contained in the booklet has heretofore been made public.

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GREENSBORO, N. C., March 21.—

Judge Boyd, in the Federal court today sentenced L. E. Davis, exchairman of the board of of commissioners of Wilkes county, N. C., to one year in the Atlanta prison and to pay a fine of \$1,000 for filing falce expense accounts.

# the facts were narrated at U. S. MARINES LANDED BIG FLOODS TIEUP IN HONDURAN TOWNS

This Country And Mexico plan-Big Transcontinental Lines in a ning To Stop The Little Republics From Fighting

# TO PROTECT AMERICAN INTEREST LOS ANGELES CUT OFF FROM NORTH

Nicaraguan Commander of the Navy Says Shipping Interests Will Not be Molested, But This County is Not Going to Take Any Chances-Only Small Force Landed.

(By Associated Press.)
WASHINGTON, D. C., Mar. 21.—
Bluejackets and marines have been
lauded from the United States gunboat Marietta at Trujillo and Cerba

ment but was rapped down by the judge.

Thaw Wanted to Hear Argument.
Harry K. Thaw had a conference in the Tombs today with A. Russell Peabody, of his counsel, over the question whether Thaw was to be permitted to hear the argument over the appointment of a lunacy commission to investigate his mental condition. Thaw wanted his counsel to assure him that he would be allowed to attend the hearing in court this afternoon, but Mr. Peabodly did not promise him the desired permission.

Thaw's coupsel were said to be of the Countess of Yarmouth, also visited him today and remained with him for about an hour.

But undoubtedly this step will be taken if American interests are considered in danger.

The landing of bluejackets and marines and the policing of both shores of the Counted States gunboats before trading ressels had been molested in any manner or foreign interests feoretradized, is regarded here as a diplomatic move that will prevent any increasitional complications growing out of the policy of the United States not to permit European demonstrations in Central American or South American waters.

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From the meagre dispatches received, it appears that Commander Fullam has been coursing up the Honduran coast from east to west. It is understood that he landed a force of

duran coast from east to west. It is understood that he landed a force of about twenty marines from the Marietta at Trujillo and twenty blue-jackets at Cerba, and then continued his course to Puerto Cortez. It is said the dispatch to the Navy Department was sent by Commander Fullam before his departure from Cerba today and that it indicated an intention or twenty men at Puerto Cortez upon his arrival there.

The Nicaraguan commander in charge of the invading force at the Honduran port, Trujillo, gave Commander Fullam his promise that American interests and all foreign interests would be protected and that

terests would be protected and that trading vessels would be permitted to enter and leave the port without molestation, the same as before the capture of the port by the Nicaraguan navy

U. S. and Mexico to Interfere.

Joint intervention by Mexico and
the United States in the war which
threatens to involve all Central America is now regarded as probable by
diplomats.

Secretary Root and Mr. Cores, the

Secretary Root and Mr. Corea, the Mexican ambassador, have been in conference ever since the outbreak in conference ever since the outbreak in Central America, and Latin-American diplomats would not be surprised by the announcement that Mexico and face United States have decided the war must cease. In fact such a set-tlement would be highly satisfactory to many of the South American reto many of the South American re-publics who feel that their countries suffer from the war-like reputation of Gentral American countries.

### DEFAULTER JONES SAID TO HAJE BEEN IN NORFOLK

Charlotte Man, Who Got Away With \$68,000 Says Two Brokers Ruined Him.

the to that is ans the extent of \$68,000, in Norfolk on Monday last. He said Jones had shaved his mustache which greatly eau his appearance.

his appearance.
It is believed here that Jones took a steamer at Norfolk. A note has been found which Jones left for his mother in which he stated that he left to start life anew in a far corner of the world, that two brokers here had overdrawn their accounts and got him into trouble. No further also got him into trouble. No further clue is to his whereabouts is known.

Hammond Strike Settled.

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Reporter's Affidavit.

The reporter, Cobb, in his affidavit, rots forth the facts connected with Thaw's dramatic manner of issuing his statement concerning Mr. Jer-

Demoralized Condition Because Of Heavy Rains.

San Francisco Railroad Traffic Also in Bad Shape-In Order to Get to Get to Sacremento a Run of Nearly Four Hundred Miles Will Have to Be Made.

(By Associated Press.)
LC3 ANGELES, CAL. March 21—
For the first time in ten years oll rail communication from San Francisco and the north is severed to-day as a result of the floods and echseluent washouts and landshdes. All three transcontinental lines are affected.
The Sinta Fe is transferring passengers to boars at Stockton, and

The Sinta Fe is transferring passengers to bears at Stockton, and expects to maintain traffic between there and San Francisco by that means. The Salt Lake line is in worse condition than ever.

For weeks all through traffic on the Clark road has been suspended owing to the destruction of eighty miles of roadbed in Measow Valley canyon, in Utah, The road cannot be restored in months. The damage in Meadow Valley canyon, has it is stated, already exceeded \$2,000,000.

San Francisco Tied Up.

SAN FRANCISCO, CAL., March 1. The train service of the city is badly demornlized as the result of the heavy rains and washouts. Sacromente is cut off from raility of the heavy rains and washouts. Sacromente is cut off from raility of the heavy rains and washouts. Sacromente is cut off from raility of the heavy rains and washouts. Sacromente is cut off from raility of the world except from the car. By main line, Sacramento is but ninety miles distant. If it is seen that there is no other way of bringing in enstern trains it is the Southern Pacific's intention to run trains from Sacremento, to Fresno, thence north by way of Modesto Tracy and Niles into Oakiand Mole, a distance of 374 miles. No eastern trains left today over the Ogden route. San Francisco Tied Up.

Whole Northwest in Bad Shape. Whole Northwest in Bad Shape.
CHICAGO, ILL. March 21.—Continuous heavy rains resulting in serious washouts, violent windstorms and a wet ciliging snow, have combined to produce a complete telegraphic tie-up in Pacific Northwest. The States of Montana, idaho, Washington and Oregon, have been isolated tince carly in the day and there seems to be no immediate prospects of an improvement in the situation.

ment in the situation.

Last night a heavy wind storm passed over Great Salt Lake from the southwest to the northeast and by driving the water with terrine force against the Southern Pacific across the western part of the lake, and washed out a section of the track compelling a discontinuance of train service. The tracks of the Southern Pacific at Rambo, 35 miles west of Ogden, are entirely covered with water and since midnight, March 20th no trains from the West have arrived at Ogden.

## TRAIN ROBBERS GET INTO EXPRESS CO. SAFE

Bandits Knocked the Messenger in the Head and Then Threw Him From the Car,

(By Associated Press.)

PALESTINE, TEXAS March 21.—
As train No. 4, on the international & Great Northern, northbound, was leaving Eikhart. 12 miles below here ton gift, Express Massenguer Winsty Womack of the Pacific Express Company, was knocked in the head and thrown out of the car. He was not missed from the train until Palestine was reached and a little later a telephone message was received from him at Eikhart stating that he had been assaulted by robbers.

The safe in the car was open when sheriff and a posse is leaving Palestine on a special train for the scene of the robbery.

## CLEVELAND'S HUNTING AND FISHING TRIP ENDED

Former President Deeply Grateful for the Many Expressions of Interest on 70th Birthday.

(By Associated Press.)
GEORGETOWN, S. C., Mar. 21.—
Corner President Cleveland, Rear Ad-Former President Cleveland, Rear Admiral B. P. Lamberton and Commodore E. C. Benedict, reached this city today on the government launch Waler Lily, coming from the Santee Gun Club, where they have been for the past several days shooting and fish-

G FLOODS TIEUP

ROADS IN THE WEST

ing. Mr. Cleveland, in an Interview, expressed heartfelt appreciation for the many expressions of interest on the occasion of his seventieth birthday, which was last Monday. The party left this afternoon in their private car attached to the regular train for the North train for the North,

# YOUNG FRANK M'ALPINE

Unfortunate Fireman Was Son of R. S. McAlpine of This City Body brought Here.

The dead body of Mr. Frank J. McAlpine a freman on the Scaboars Air Line railroad, who was killed in a rear end collision on that road near Norlina, N. C., yesterday morning arrived in this city at 5:30 o'clock ysterday evening and was moved to the home of the parents of the deceased Mr. and Mrs. R. S. McAlpine, 1,251 Twenty-sixth street. The remains will be shipped toda; to Clevelshd, O., for interment. When he saw that his engire was board to crash into a freight train on the track ahead of him, McAlpine leaped from the Heomotive and broke his neck, No one cise was injured in the wreek. Besides his parents, Mr. McAlpine is survived by three brothers, all of this city, and one sister. The dead body of Mr. Frank J

### BAPTIST ACADEMY TEAM PROMISES TO BE FAST ONE

Coach Curtis is Rounding the Boys Into Fine Shape—Will Play Series With Hampton.

The baseball team recently organiz-The baseball team recently organized among the male pupils of the Newbort News Baptist Academy is rapidly being rounded into shape for the season by Coach Joe Curtis, third baseman of the Springfield, Mass., club of the Connecticut State League. The nine gives promise of being the fastest school team on the Peninsula and the players expect to curve of

fastest school team on the Peninsula and the players expect to carry off first honors among the school teams. A series of three games is now being arranged between the Newport News Academy and the Hampton High school, two games to be played here and one in Hampton, 'The Rosentaum' Hardwaire Company has offered a handsome silver cup to the winner of the series.

The fine is under the management of Harry Jones and Hugh Canningham has been elected field captain. The other players are: Joe Rowbottom, Harry Reyner, Harris Williams,

tom, Harry Reyner, Harris Williams, Phil Woodward, Eddie Jones, William Cottrell, Sam Cottrell, Ned Clarke, Fred Dedlake and Carey Epes,

Handsome new uniforms have been ordered for the players, the team having secured sufficient funds from local business men and merchants to cover the cost of the uniforms.

## **EXPOSITION RESERVOIR** COMPLETED BY CONTRACTOR

E.g Basin Will Hold Two Million Gallons of Water-Pumping Plant Nearly Ready.

Contractor J. W. Davis has completed the reservoir on the Jamestown Exposition grounds and will formally turn the basin over to the Exposition company within the next Yew dayr. Work on the pamping station, which is being built by another contractor is progressing respidly and will be completed before the date of the coeming of the Tercentennal.

The great basin which has been constructed by Mr. Davis has a capacity of 2000,000 gallons and will furnish water to all of the buildings on the grounds. At first, it was thought that a reservoir of half the size would be adequate, but before the contract was let it was ecided to change the plans. The basin cost \$20,000, exclusive of the cost of building the pumping plant.

at \$4,000, two necklaces at each any many other piece jewelry.

Will Fight Two-Cent Fare.

(fly Associated Press.)

JACKSON, MISS., Mar. 21.—

Niles, of the Federal court, the ternoon issued a temporary in the construction of the Louisvi Nashville Railroad, restrainth two-cent passenger rate on the change the mileage basis, accurate the state of the legislature.

MAJOR PENROSE TAKES

STAND IN OWN DEFI

## BENNY JONES TO WRESTLE

Newport News Man to Have a Go With An Army crack.

Arrangements have been for a wrestling match between Bennie Jones, of this city, and Reiner, formerly champion mat artist of the German navy, but now stationed at Fort Monree with the Thirteenth Coast Artitlery. The wrestlers will meet at tillery. The wrestlers will meet at the fort Sunday to draw up articles of agreement and decide on the date

of the match.

It has been definitely decided to pull the bout off in the fort gymnasium.

Harrison Gets 20 Years.

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(III) Associated Press.)
ELIZABETH CITY, N. C., March
21.—Joshua Harrison, who last night
was convicted of the kidnapping
and munder of Kenneth Beasley, a
son of State Senator Beasley, two
years ago, was today sentenced to
20 years' imprisonment, after a
motion in arrest of justice had been
denied. denicd.

Vale Wins Wrestling Championship.
(By Associated Press.)
PRINCETON, N. J., March 21.—
Yale won the intercollegiate wreeding championship here tonight with 11 points Princeton-Columbia tied for second place wit 7 and Pennsylvania third.

# BURGLARS GET BIG SWAG FROM HOMES

KILLED IN COLLISION Siegel Home in Monaroneck Looted by Thieves and \$50,000 Worth of Plunder Secured.

## AFFAIR SHROUDED IN MYSTERY

vants-in the Morgan Home in Orange, N. J., Burglars Found \$18,-000 Worth of Jewelry.

(By Associated Press.)

NEW YORK, March 21.—A robbery case at the summer home of Heary Siegel at Mamaroneck sometime last night has provided a mystery which the police are unable to solve. Seven paintings valued at thousands of dollars, brie-abrac collected at great cost in Europe and considerable silver was stolen. The value of the articles taken wan not estimated by the family but it is said it was over \$50,000. Mr. and Mrs. Seigel remained in New York last night, his keeper and his assistant being the only persons at the home.

They claim they heard no unusual noises during the night. Entrance was gained through a front window, the house was literally ransacked drawers being searchel, cupboards opened, rugs taken, solid silver purioined while platted mafter was bent and thrown aside and paintings cut from their frames. A curious feature of the case is that the thieves went to a bathroom and secured a key to the dhing room, where the house keys were kept. When they got there the task of opening the lower-doors where the ray long the last of the case is that had a suspicion as to the thieves and intimated that they might have been employed in the house. The house is located on and faces Long Island sound, and it is believed the robbers used a power boat to approach the premises and carry away the loot.

Another Big Haul,
NEW YORK, March 21.—Elighteen
thousand dollars worth of jewelry
was stolen from the home of
Charles Morgan, son of the founder
of the Morgan steamship lines, at
his home in Orange N. J. Late
this afternoon Mrs. Morgan found
a drawer in her dressing table disturbed and investigation showed
that her jewel hag was missing. It
contained a diamond bracelet valued
at \$4,000, two necklaces at \$2,550
each any many other pieces or
jewelry. Another Big Haul.

Will Fight Two-Cent Fare.

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(IIV Associated Press.)

JACKSON, MISS.. Mar. 21.—Judge
Niles, of the Federal court, this afternoon issued a temporary injunction, on petition of the Louisville &
Nashville Railroad, restraining the
Missiscopi Railroad Commission from
enforcing the order establishing a
two-cent passenger rate on the interchangeable mileage basis, according
to a recent act of the legislature.

# STAND IN OWN DEFENSE

Told the Story of the Shooting Up of Brownsville and Was a Good

(By Associated Press.)

SAN ANTONIO TEXAS, March 21

Major C. W. Penrose, the accused, in the court martial at Fort Sam Houston, went on the stand today. The witness told his story of the Brownsville trouble. He testified to the lack of ill will between the soldiers and citizens. The feeling on both cides was good up to the time of the trouble. The witness told of the happenings on the night of the shooting and first steps taken by imself to prevent the clash. He said he thought the firing was undoubtedly done with high power rifles. His story made a strong impression. Major C. J. Clark testified to the general good behavior of the negro battalion just before the gischarge.

Burton to Be Released Today.

(By Associated Press.)

ST. LOUIS, MO., March 21.—
Former United States Senator Joseph R. Burton, of Kansas, who has been serving six months in fail at Ironton, Mo., will be released formorrow morning.

Baseball Games

(By Associated Press.)
Savannah, Ga., Philadelphia,
Savannah South At-Nacionals, 15; Savannah South

At Atlanta; New York, Americans, 9; Atlanta, Southern 5.